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...A. M. Corvallis ... 3:20 P. M.

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...Ride Division—Between Portland, Salem and Roseburg.

...leaves Ash street every day at 8 A. M.

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"THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN.

The issue of December 20th will contain, besides the full local and telegraphic news of the preceding day, many special features. Among them will be found:

"PIONEER DAYS," *giving the interesting history of Dan. Wellon, of the Walla Walla.*

"THE MUTINY ON THE OCEAN QUEEN;" *an exciting story of the navy, by Admiral Amen.*

"M.S. FRENCH AND CHRISTMAS," *a quaint and entertaining story written for this issue by Harris; Prescott Spofford.*

"THE HAUNTED EDITOR," *by Sam. L. Simpson, is the author's best work and will be read by every lover of a good story.*

"EUROPEAN AFFAIRS," *a concise resume by Max O'Rell of the old world news and gossip from Paris to London and Paris at the present time.*

"LOCKINGS OF THE POOR," *in which George Parsons Lathrop relates how the poverty stricken people of the great metropolis manage to pass the nights.*

"OUR LONDON LETTER," *by Joseph Hatton, deals at length with English politics, describing how the voting for members of parliament is carried out in that country.*

"THE ROGUE RIVER MASSACRE," *a thrilling account of the Indian outbreak in Southern Oregon thirty years ago, with numerous incidents collected by Mr. H. O. Lang.*

"WASHINGTON GOSSIP," *by the Oregonian's special correspondent at the national capital, Mr. T. C. Fudima, who deals with topics of especial interest to people in this section.*

"ANCIENT SPEECH HEARS," *an entertaining description of Indian life on the Southern Oregon coast, with an account of the probable origin of the native tribes of that section, by Mr. O. F. Cosad.*

"ELSIE," *by Theodore Bartlett. This is the story which received the award of the one hundred dollar prize offered by Mr. S. S. McClure of New York, for the best short story by any author either known or unknown.*

The Oregonian.

PORTLAND, SATURDAY, DEC. 19, 1885.

THE NEW YEAR'S OREGONIAN.

This will be a number of unusual excellence. It will consist of sixteen pages, or one hundred and twelve columns, devoted almost wholly to reading matter. The main feature of the issue will be its representative character. Each of the great natural divisions of the northwest will be dealt with fully and at length by one of its own well known citizens. Mr. J. P. Wager, of Pendleton, will contribute an article on "The Columbia River Basin;" Mr. Wallis Nash, of Corvallis, will write of "The Willamette Valley," and so on each section will speak for itself. Mr. C. B. Carlyle, secretary of the state immigration board, will deal with the immigration of the year; Mr. T. T. Geer, a well known farmer in Marion county, will write of agricultural conditions, methods and prospects in Oregon; Mr. S. A. Clarke will write of departed pioneers, etc.

In addition there will be the usual complete review of the business of the year, illustrated fully by tables of export, import, production, etc.; carefully compiled chronological record of the year, general and domestic the usual local features, list of new buildings, an account of local manufactures and a vast amount of general and editorial matter prepared especially for this number and designed to make a complete paper, interesting at home and instructive to those abroad who wish to learn of Oregon and Washington. It is confidently believed that the issue will be of greater interest and value than any ever before given to this public. Orders already filled for our publication office warrant an edition of 25,000 copies, and it is hoped to make it much larger.

LIQUORS AND POLITICS.

The report of the commissioner of internal revenue shows that at the close of the last fiscal year (June 30, 1885) there were 2188 liquor dealers in Oregon and Washington territory. Of these 93 were wholesale dealers. The taxes collected by the United States, in Oregon and Washington, on distilled liquors, were $53,447 62, and on malt liquors, $60,859 94. In the prohibition states the number of places where liquors were sold under the revenue laws of the United States is thus given: In Maine, 1109; Vermont, 404; Kansas, 2222; Iowa, 8997. In New York liquors were sold by 33,048 dealers; in Pennsylvania by 20,884; in Ohio by 15,638; in California by 13,858, a prodigious number for the population; in Illinois by 10,991; in Massachusetts by 9407; in New Jersey by 7431, and in Indiana by 6506. Missouri and Maryland head the list of southern states in the number of liquor dealers, —Missouri having 7431 and Maryland 6089. Going further south the number of liquor dealers grows relatively decreases in proportion to population—Louisiana furnishing the only exception. In that state the dealers number 5671. Georgia, with a population of 1,800,000, had only 1515 dealers; Alabama, with 1,800,000 had only 1105; Arkansas, with 1,000,000, only 753; South Carolina, with 1,000,000, only 389; Mississippi, with 1,200,000, only 1115, and Tennessee, with 1,700,000, only 1707. We have in Oregon and Washington perhaps 450,000 people, and yet we have more places where liquors are sold than Georgia or Tennessee, either of which has nearly four times our combined population. Taking the census reports of 1880, we have in Oregon and Washington one dealer in liquors to 80 inhabitants; in Georgia there is one to 1912; in Tennessee one to 904; in South Carolina one to 1027; in Mississippi one to 1015; in Alabama one to 880. Even in Kentucky the proportion is one to 35, as against one to 80 in Oregon and Washington, one to 76 in California and one to 66 in Colorado. In Texas, where everybody is supposed to drink alcoholic liquors, the proportion for a liquor seller to 404 inhabitants; while in Ohio, where great efforts for temperance are always in progress, it is one to 294.

The difference, every one sees, is largely due to the characteristics of population. Nearly all the people of the South are of the old stock. Comparatively few living there were born elsewhere. In 1880 the entire foreign born population in the eight states of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana was only 119,865, of which number one-half were in Louisiana alone. Another remarkable fact is that from 1870 to 1880 the foreign born population of the eight states actually decreased. In 1870 it was 122,931. In the whole sixteen southern states in 1880 there were only 570,415 persons of northern birth, and of these 491,055 were in the single state of Missouri. The total number of persons of foreign and of northern birth in the sixteen states in 1880 was 1,521,433, and of the two states of Missouri and Texas had more than one-half of these. North Carolina, with a total population of 1,400,000 in 1880, had only 3742 persons of foreign birth and but 5963 persons of northern birth; Tennessee with a population exceeding 1,500,000, had but 16,702 persons born in foreign countries and Georgia with a still greater total population, had only 10,564. The contrast to these figures presented by states of the northern states is remarkable. For example, Minnesota with a total population of 780,806, had 267 per cent of foreign birth, and Illinois with 3,078,769, had 583,592. The total foreign born population of the country in 1880 was 6,495,73, and of these only ten per cent was in the sixteen southern states, and more than one-half of that ten per cent was in the two states of Missouri and Texas. These figures show that the population of the South is nearly all made up out of the increase of the old stock. It is a fact that profoundly affects the character of the people, individually and as a collective body. One of the consequences is presented in the widely different amounts of the liquor traffic at the South, as compared with the North. What is called the sale is half at the North scarcely exists at all at the South, though doubtless in some parts of the South liquors are more generally kept in houses as well as in cities than now exist in Portland Methodist Epis. [illegible]

Curiously enough the difference does not seem to be due to the greater wealth of the North. Indeed, it seems clear from the statistics now presented that there is much less consumption of liquors at the South than at the North, in proportion to population. This is due as to the more active life of the North, to its heavy urban population, to the high pressure under which every kind of business is carried on, in which consumption of stimulants acts both as a cause and as an effect.

The liquor question therefore cannot be handled in the North as in the South. The rural Northern states form an exception to this statement. But their political power is not great.

The Voice, national prohibition organ, published at New York, insists that the republican party is in a dilemma from which it cannot escape. It will never become a prohibition party in any but a rural state, where the farmers carry everything, as in Kansas and Iowa; for it will be defeated if it does, and the instinct of preservation will lead it to avoid this result. Again, because of the long political struggle, of which the great war was a part, it cannot split the Solid South even on the temperance issue; nor can it win the support of the strong temperance element of the democratic party in the North. The prejudice against the name of the republican party, entertained by those who have opposed its policy and achievements, is too strong. On the other hand it is asserted that the republican prohibitionists, or the prohibitionists who were formerly republicans, will never act with the republican party again till it declares itself a prohibition party; and this it cannot do in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana or Illinois, or indeed in more than three or four northern states. What the prohibition organ boldly calls for, to this state of affairs, is the dissolution of the republican party. It says that party will not win any more elections, because the prohibitionists will not let it; it cannot become a prohibition party, because to do so would be to invite overwhelming defeat, since the temperance element of the democratic party will never vote with it no matter what it does; and since it stands direct y in the way of prohibition success, with no possible chance of securing success for itself, it ought to be content with its history, and achievements, consider its mission fulfilled, and go willingly, as a good man does, to its final reward.

But with the republican party out of the way would prohibition have a clear field? It seems to us that the conditions would not be materially changed. In the great states, containing many large cities, prohibition would still be beaten as certainly as now. Even in the rural states there would be a hard fight to maintain prohibition. For example, in Iowa it succeeded in the election of this year by only 6000 majority in a vote of nearly 400,000. Kentucky, majority in a vote of nearly 400,000. Kentucky, one of whose greatest industries is the distillation of liquors, would hardly consent to a policy that would destroy so vast an interest; and California would be quite as far from voting to make grape-growing and wine-making unprofitable. Less than half a dozen small northern states could be counted on to support prohibition; and the political power of Maine, Vermont, Iowa and Kansas together does not equal that of New York. It would be equally erroneous to suppose that the South could be surely converted from solid democracy to solid prohibitionism. Consequently if the republican party should dissolve and be heard of no more, the aspects of the question as regards prohibition would not be materially changed. Prohibition would be voted and enforced in some places, and in others it would not. It would still be strong in rural districts and weak where cities abound, as now. It is probable that it will take many years to get this question down to a basis of experience that will show more what its conditions and limitations are. Meantime, prohibition may defeat the republican party repeatedly, and, possibly, may so weaken it as to bring about its dissolution.

Reform in the house of representatives seems to be the watchword of the hour. Indeed, that clumsy old vehicle could not have gone along much further without a change in its awkward modes of procedure. In advocating an amendment to the rules yesterday, Mr. Springer of Illinois made a statement to the effect that although $225,000 had been drawn as salary by clerks of the several appropriation committees for different departments in the past ten years, only two reports had ever been made by those clerks. One of these was on war department expenditures and was made to the Forty-fourth congress. The other was made to the Forty-eighth congress, and was upon expenditures of the department of justice. What Mr. Morrison said was doubtless applicable to other departments of the house, and there has been a great deal of money paid out for a very little work. Lopping off some of these expenditures is not the only thing. What is wanted is a more regular mode of legislation.

Certainly there was no indecent haste about the manner in which the United States senate yesterday passed, without the usual dilatory procedure of engrossment, the bill for the granting of a pension to the widow of Gen. Grant. In this spontaneous tribute of mingled gratitude and respect, democrats vied with republicans in their anxiety to do justice to the relict of the foremost soldier of the age. Scarcely had the bill been reported back favorably from the committee to which it had been referred, than Senator Mitchell, of Pennsylvania, moved the bill be placed at once upon its passage. Without a dissenting vote and, what is still more grateful to remember, without a single word of debate, the bill passed and became a law. This begins to look like reconstruction.

After all Randall's adversaries in the house have succeeded in "downing" him. This is rather unexpected. He has held his own against all comers, till now, during many years. Having shorn Randall of his power, his fellows will now have less difficulty in getting at the great object of desire,—the increasing surplus. The republicans seem not to have helped Randall this time. Probably they want to steer the democrats into as many extravagances as possible. This may be thought good politics for an opposition, but it is bad for the country. The present session is not likely to be an economical one. Randall is put down chiefly because he was the principal watchdog of the treasury surplus. That surplus must "go."

Curses are beginning to have a little sense in England, after all. An actress sued a journal for libel and got a money verdict in her favor. She then brought criminal prosecutions against a number of retail newsdealers for spreading that libel abroad by selling that newspaper. One of these cases was tried before a jury, who declared that the retailers were innocent disseminators and could not be held liable for what was contained in a newspaper of which they were neither editors nor publishers.

Butler, the national straddler, belongs to the ancient order of irrepressibles. After declaring that the votes of workingmen could be bought at $2 50 apiece in lots to suit customers he "rose up serenely" again as an aspirant for congressional honors. One would suppose that with the wealth he has amassed and the notoriety he has attained, he would gladly become a private citizen; but he evidently thinks that his income will buy a "heap" of politics.

A number of bogus tickets in the Louisiana lottery scheme, of which Gens. Beauregard and Early are promoters, has been found in Oakland, California. We are astonished that any persons should have been foolish enough to purchase these spurious tickets. They would have found it hard enough to win anything with those that were genuine.

Newport opposite Cincinnati, bases its claim to notoriety on account of possessing a citizen who bites tenpenny nails in two. Bring him west and set him to work at some of the railroad lunch counters. He probably is a good enough expert in ordinary hardware, but he has not yet tackled a trans-continental pie.

Always reliable, always uniform Ghirardelli's Eagle Chocolate. Superior to all. 6

You will remember this day if you visit Lewis & Clark Rocks and Shoes. Such low prices were never known. 249 First st., bet. Main and Madison.

WASHINGTON SKETCHES.

Tom Reed's Singular Power over the House of Representatives.

Ira Davenport is a Quiet, Modest Member of Congress, who is very Industrious at his Desk—Belknap's Prosperity

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Congressman Springer made the first extended speech in the house of the Forty-ninth congress. He spoke in an uproar. His voice was drowned in the tumult. The stenographer ran back with note-book and pencil in hand to where Springer stood, and took down his words. Prominent members of the house sat not twenty feet away from him reading the morning papers, or talking with each other. Now and then a page would run errands, or clapping their hands for messengers. There was a subdued roar from the lobby, where members were walking about, joking and laughing. A number of the new members bent forward to catch what Springer was saying, but of the majority the palms of their hands behind their ears to gather more of the sound vibration and it is learned more distinctly, but these soon desisted and nodded to the fair-by-lady, by reading or walking about. Instead of the speaker's chair engaged in conversation with Carlisle, and neither of them appeared to what Springer was saying, that Springer kept on. His gray whiskers and flowing mane and full face became more calm in argument. He was speaking of the need of a change in the rules, certainly one of the most important subjects to come before the house. Yet Speaker Carlisle, the leading advocate of the change, could not hold the attention of the house.

POWER OVER THE HOUSE.

Springer once had the power to command silence when he rose, but like Randall, there are few in the house that possess it. It is one of the rarest gifts, and may be easily lost. It is said that Ben Butler always had it. Sam Cox seemed to have some sort of it while he remained in the house. He is the leading Poultry Dealer of Fort and making a specialty of furnishing nicely dressed Ducks & Turkeys these, etc., at all times.

LEAVE ORDERS EARLY, in order to insure prompt delivery.

SWISS GIRL WISHES A SITUATION IN A private family. Inquire at the St. Louis Hotel, 207 First st. 1912

I HAVE RECEIVED BY NEW ORLEANS EXPRESS ladies toques them. They are elegant. 1906tf

ENGLISH COLORED GROSGRAIN SILKS, EXTRA fine shades, at 87 50; Black All Silk Brocades, new patterns, $1 per yard. MEIER & FRANK.

FOR SALE—A WELL ESTABLISHED AND good paying saloon, or particulars inquire of P. Wasmer, City Brewery. 1624

LODGE KEEPING ROOMS, CONVENIENT AND sunny, furnished complete; also lay window rooms. Cor. First and Montgomery. 1861tf

SCANDINAVIAN GIRL WANTS A POSITION TO do general housework in a family. Address A. G. O., care N. W. Post, 193 Second. 1911

FOR RENT—7 FURNISHED COTTAGE CONtaining 7 rooms and bath, by PARRISH, WATKINS & CORNELL, 64 Washington st.

7 STYLISH PATTERNS IN CUTS, DIFFERent from any now in New York. Secure one before they are all taken. MEIER & FRANK, 101 First st. 1914tf

TWO SINGLE GENTLEMEN WILL FIND pleasant rooms at moderate prices convenient to home. Address, Rooms, care Oregonian. 1911

FOR RENT—FURNISHED COTTAGE, NEAR corner of First and Jefferson sts. Inquire of Mrs. Dr. Lamb, 1st house from corner of First and Jefferson sts. 1911

FOR RENT—A FURNISHED ROOM, WITH OR without board, at 207 Second st. 1910

NOW TO-DAY.

SUNDAY DINNER.

WM. McGUIRE & Co., of the California Market, corner Third and Morrison streets, have the finest assortment of Poultry, Game, Fish and Oysters to be found in Portland. Fresh Oysters received daily. Fat Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens to be found at market. Don't fail to call and visit us before buying. They are the best. McGUIRE & CO.

A YOUNG LADY THAT SPEAKS GOOD GERMAN, a place in a store small where she can be of service or study for the ... Address M. 1910

ENGLISH KITCHEN LOVERS, HERE IS A handy meat-chopper which is the only chopper ever made that will chop parsley fine. Call at Steel and Opsahl's, 56 and 58 First st., and see the Portland Meat Chopper. No other. 1910

COAL WANTED—YOU MARKED DOWN prices, I ordered and boarded in private family of eight, where no other boarders are taken; can be seen for one week; good references required. Address A. Z., care Oregonian. 1911

WANTED—A SHIPPER, ... ENT TO DR. JOHN ... Pierce Eclectic ... Tansy Pills, which ... in California. ... The ladies ... will be supplied by our ... sell 50 50 Box. Forth ...

FOR A HOLIDAY PRESENT GO TO THE HAT ... Fur Store in the city and get a Fur Hat or Cap. ... Store is the best place to buy Hats. Exchange ... and there is no ... Hats ... Hats ... Hats

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—6:40 P. M.

Name of Observation.	Bar.	Chge. last 3 Hrs.	Ther.	Direct. of Wind.	Vel. in Miles.	State of Weather.
Portland	30.24	—03	45	NW	.05	Cloudy
Roseburg	30.37	—04	47	SE	.05	Rain
Umpqua	30.31	—08	49	Calm	.00	Cloudy
Coos Bay	30.13	—05	48	SE	.00	Cloudy
Mt. Hall	30.12	—05	46	E	.00	Clear
Cascade Summit	30.08	—05	48	SE	.03	Rain
Fort Canby	30.30	—07	47	W	.04	Cloudy
Astoria	30.30	—02	40	Calm	.00	Clear
Dead Man	30.38	—02	44	SW	.00	Clear
Walla Walla						

Minimum thermometer, 42; maximum, 51.

THE SUNDAY OREGONIAN,

Which leads all others, having doubled its circulation in the last few months, is now the choice medium for advertisers who want to reach the best class of people. Shrewd advertisers will use it.

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

Placed Heron to arrive over the Northern Pacific: West, Dr. J. Folkman, Matt Grath, Mrs. Jale, G. F. Hamlin, Thomas Frazer, Mrs. J. S. Parrell and child, Mrs. E. A. Mack, Maurice F. Knapp, Mrs. M. B. Wakefield, Miss Libbie E. Knapp, and twenty-four immigrants.

Placed and twenty-four immigrants.

Placed Huntington to arrive over the Short Line: E. W. Lallins, J. W. Keeney, John G. Lane, E. W. Lallins, J. W. Keeney, John G. Lane, Geo. Cowgill, J. T. Daily, Mrs. Bray and family, George Cowgill, J. T. Daily, Mrs. Bray and family, George Cowgill, J. T. Daily, Mrs. J. Greenleaf and twenty-seven immigrants.

PERSONAL.

H. G. Guild, of the Silverton *Appeal*, is in the city.

Prof. J. E. Clayton, mining geologist, is at the St. Charles.

E. G. Jones and Mrs. Della Fridley, of East Portland, were married on Wednesday last.

Frank Wood, of the Albany (Or.) *Bulletin*, called at THE OREGONIAN'S New York agency yesterday.

J. L. Underdonk, a lawyer by profession, and former y comptroller of Idaho Territory, is in the city, and contemplates remaining here permanently.

Roderick Crawford and wife leave by the steamer Sunday night en route for Honolulu, where they will spend the winter. Mrs. Crawford is afflicted with rheumatism, and having been greatly relieved by a former visit to Honolulu, where she has a number residing, wishes to visit the place again, in hope of being benefited again.

GO AND SEE

The attractive display of beautiful hand-painted SILKY BAGS at Wisdom's Pharmacy. Positively the finest ever shown here before. Mr. Wisdom's method of disposing of these articles is sure to be popular. Each purchaser of holiday goods to the amount of $2 50 will receive a bag valued at 75 cents; $5, one at $1 50; and one worth $1 25 extra; $10, one at $3. Mr. Wisdom's goods and prices are not fancy ones, but on with the object of inducing the public to buy from us, but we intend to let what such goods would be sold for at this season. Furthermore, our HOLIDAY GOODS have been marked at a price within the reach of all. Call, examine and get prices. We don't expect you all to buy, yet it will be no trouble to show everyone our goods. Our assortment is too large to think of enumerating here, but to those who would like to know what we have for the asking we would say, Call at our store, which is at the northwest corner of First and Stark streets, and we will promise to show you more to the point in the line of pretty and acceptable things for Christmas presents than can be found elsewhere in Portland. W. M. WISDOM, Druggist and dealer in fine goods, corner First and Stark streets.

NEW ENGINE.

The attention was yesterday called to the new Shipman engine, lately arrived. It is a new departure in the steam engine line, burning oil for fuel, and automatic in its governing, feed and water supply. Mr. Z. F. Wright has now in operation at his warehouse, foot of Morrison street, and is very orderly and is no trouble. Mr. Wright is fortunate in securing the agency, as he has been in many other lines of trade, judging from the six diplomas awarded him at the late Mechanics' fair. We would especially recommend those in need of anything in his line to call on him before purchasing.

TO THE LADIES.

Ireland after Saturday, December 19, we will give everyone purchasing to the amount of One Dollar or over a handsome

STUCCO PANEL,

the prettiest work of art ever given away. Don't fail to get one. J. SPIEGEL & SON, Grocers, 201 First st., bet. Jefferson and Columbia.

BOOK BUYERS ATTENTION.

We will to-day make special discounts on all our holiday goods. Our stock is fresh and new. No shop-worn goods. Come to-day and avoid the rush next week. Wiley B. Allen's new book and music store, 211 First street.

A GREAT BIG FAT OYSTER

Served after the eastern style. These oysters are large and fresh and will make you feel as if you were at the beds. The Crystal Palace does it from 10 to 6 P. M.

A RARE CHANCE.

Our stock of fancy goods is new in and up date and we will from this time forward offer it use prices at retail at regular jobbing prices. The Pacific Glass and Lamp Co., 172 and 174 Front bet. Stark and Washington.

NOW READY.

The second "series" of our picture cards is now ready for distribution. A set with each $1 purchase. W. M. WISDOM, druggist and dealer in fine goods, corner First and Stark streets.

A visit to Joslin's diamonds are immense, but if you want to see something really marvelous, just glance at the diamonds in the windows of Uncle Myers, 89 First street. Diamond rings, studs, ear rings and pins for $10 to $1000.

We have not made reductions on a very few articles for attractions, but have distributed them to those which do not mention. We are making a genuine clearance sale at the City Book Store, 171 First street.

The Pacific Glass and Lamp company are offering beautiful French China tea sets, 44 pieces, at $7 50. This is proof that they are retailing at jobbing prices.

SOMETHING NEW—AMBER JEWELRY.

Two handsome sets, just received from Europe, at H. H. Gerner & Co.'s, corner First and Oak sts.

I have just received, direct from New York, a large lot of imported CIGARS. Michael Morris, 68 Washington street.

A. B.—Only a few more orders can be finished for the holidays. Towne & Moore, crayon artists and photographers.

Books in sets, fine illustrated octavo and quarto gift books, juvenile books, at clearance sale—City Book Store.

L. B. Lindsey has leased the fat stock building where he will board all kinds of stock at very cheap rates.

SUBSCRIPTIONS—Taken for all newspapers and magazines. C. H. Wilcox, newsdealer, 151 and 153 Oak.

The cheapest place in the city for Christmas Books is at Dekum & Co's, 49 Washington street.

Novelties in Brass Frames and ornaments just received by Sanborn, Vail & Co., 172 First street.

See the new imported goods for suitings, over coats, etc., at Morris's, 68 Washington street.

Bibles, Episcopal and Catholic prayer books at Wiley B. Allen's book store, 211 First street.

A nice line of goods for Xmas, at Sanborn Vail & Co.'s, 172 First street.

Gold Pens at Wiley B. Allen's.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

Knowlton's Music Store.

Go to Keiser's for oysters.

Reading books for rent. Washington Book House.

D. P. Rennon's Sewing Machine Office, 151½ Morrison street.

Watch saved in selecting Christmas Cards at Shanahan's Art Gallery.

Don't forget to buy your Holiday Goods at Child & Co.'s, cor. Second and Morrison.

WOVEN WIRE spring beds. George M. Parker, 133 First street. Trade supplied.

Ladies, if you wish to look nice at Christmas parties, get a bottle of Child's Snowflake.

Afflicted with sore eyes use Dr. Isaac Thompson's Eye Water. Druggists sell it at 25 cents.

Ferguson & Bailey, successors to Ferguson & Dekum, hair-curling parlors No. 89 First st.

Norton Ale Door Springs always keep your doors closed. Prices reduced. at Dayton & Hall's.

Toilet Sets of all kinds at the lowest figures at Child's Drug Store, cor. Second and Morrison. Come and see.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

DISMISSED BY STIPULATION.—Yesterday, in Judge Stearns's court, the case of Henry Davenport against L. B. Magoon was dismissed by stipulation and the costs taxed to the defendant. This is an old case which once before went through the state court, then to the supreme court and back to court here. In the month of June, 1883, Magoon leased two lots and a one story and a half building at the corner of Taylor and Second streets from Davenport, at a monthly rental of $250 for a period of ten years. The building was used as a livery stable, but it was dilapidated in the least and Magoon could make improvements to it, such as make an extension, etc., Magoon to pay for all additions, street improvements and other expenses, and Davenport, in case of a fire, was to see his lessee whole. On October 6th, Magoon commenced improving by putting up a two-story brick and letting it to Chinese. Here trouble commenced. Davenport objected to Chinamen occupying it the premises, alleging that their habits of life increased the danger of loss from fire. In fact it appears that Davenport, when he gave Magoon permission to sublet, meant that Chinese should be excepted, although the lease did not so state. Davenport asked an injunction from the state circuit court and an order that the building be changed to a wooden one, with the Kamm-berg street sewer, and say that there must be a sewer in Harrison street. This will be a work of considerable time at best. The old office of things at the solons to do is bad enough, but it is clear to any disinterested that it is not so bad as has been represented, and no worse than it has been for a considerable time.

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SINGULAR CASE OF ABSCONDING.—Joe Gilbert manager of W. R. Jackson's livery stable at Hillsboro, came to this city "on business" about two weeks since, saying he would return the next day. He was next heard of in St. Paul, with a stop over at Helena, where with grace his mother lives. Gilbert was assignee for W. S. Johnson and had collected $100 on notes and accounts. He was married less than a year ago to a daughter of A. M. Collins, with whom he had lived happily. Mr. Collins sent $125 in town by Gilbert, which he carried off with him. The cause of this unfortunate affair is said to be Gilbert's leaving is that he had spent part of the money he had charge of and fled to escape discovery and punishment. It is a hard blow to his young wife, but she has the sympathy of many friends.

OBSTRUCTING A SEWER.—For several days the Clay street sewer, at its intersection with Front street, has been so obstructed as to cause great annoyance to the residents in that vicinity. An investigation by the superintendents of streets revealed the fact that some person had lifted the top off of a manhole and out of pure vicionsness partially filled it up with something, the nature of which has not yet been ascertained. The sewer has been freed from obstructions as much as possible at present, but cannot be totally cleared until the water in it goes down. About a month ago Park street sewer was blockaded by a sack filled with bricks being thrown into it. No one has yet been found as to the scoundrels who are doing this work, but it is safe to say that they will get themselves into serious trouble if they are caught.

ANOTHER ORDINANCE TO BE TESTED.—A petition was filed in the U. S. district court yesterday for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of Ah Lip, charged by the city with disorderly conduct by smoking opium. The petitioner complains that he is confined and restrained of his liberty by Chief of Police Parish, and that his imprisonment is now by virtue of two process issued by any court of the United States, and that he is illegally detained. Wherefore he prays that he may be brought before Judge Deady and be set at liberty, and be allowed his costs and disbursements. This case is brought to test the validity of the ordinance under which Chinamen are fined for smoking opium in their own rooms. The writ was issued and made returnable this morning.

THE PROBABLE CAUSE.—W. T. Golden, the young man arrested for stealing a coat from Abrahams's second-hand store, on Front street, Thursday night, was not arraigned in the police court yesterday, for the reason that he was suffering with an attack of delirium tremens. It may have been an overdose of bad whiskey that caused Golden to commit the theft of which he is accused. Provided he recovers sufficiently to appear, he will be called up for trial to-day.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.—At the regular meeting last evening Portland Lodge No. 374 Knights of Honor, elected the following officers: Dr. C. E. Geiger, dictator; M. C. Morgan, vice-dictator; H. F. Fowler, associate dictator; Harry E. Dore, reporter; Max Bollack, financial reporter; Robert Holman, treasurer; Ernst Bollack, guide; W. D. Smith, chaplain; F. A. Seiter, inside sentinel; Henry Liebig, outside sentinel; Frank Botefuhr, G. E. Morgan and H. C. Hostetman, trustees.

ANOTHER SUIT.—Thompson, DeHart & Co. have commenced suit in the state circuit court against H. C. Carmack and W. P. Kerrigan, to recover $246 20. Of this sum $173 10 is on an account proprietary, assigned by defendants, and $73 10 is an assigned claim to plaintiffs from Farwell, Ozman & Jackson, of St. Paul, and $10 is demanded to pay attorneys' fees.

STARTING THE ELEVATORS.—A large force of men have been employed in laying the water carriages in traulic main down Front street, and the work is completed to Madison street. Yesterday a number of men were taken off the work to lay it into each place from the Third street main to Kamm's block on Pine street. The passenger elevator in the building is about ready for service, and Mr. Kamm wished the water connected at once. In addition to the passenger elevator there are to be two freight elevators in the building and a dumb waiter in the coops for conveying wood, coal, baggage, etc., to the upper stories. A hose on the Front street main is complete. It will be connected with these elevators.

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Jean Drouillard, respondent vs. Herman Schmidt, defendant, and John Fohmer appellant; judgment below reversed; motion for rehearing denied.

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David L. Gee, respondent vs. M. F. Ouvse, appellant; judgment of the lower court affirmed; opinion by Lord, J.

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FOREIGN DISPATCHES

Attempts to Extort Money From the Prince of Wales.

THE BLACKMAILERS ENTRAPPED

Excitement over the Home Rule Scheme Continues—Loyalist Demonstration in Ireland—Old World Happenings.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—London had a gigantic sensation to-day. Early this morning a young man and wife, Edward and Sarah Magee, were arrested at Kensington on a charge of having attempted to procure money from the Prince of Wales by writing threatening letters. They were taken into court. Formal charges were preferred against them and were remanded to await examination. It appeared that the prisoners had written two letters, but as they were both in cipher it is impossible to give their exact language, or state, except in general terms, what they contained. It is known, however, that the letters made a demand for £7500, and intimated in unmistakable terms that unless the amount was forthcoming the prince's life would be in jeopardy. The prince, it is said, paid only passing attention to the first letter which the Magees sent, but when the second came yesterday afternoon he handed it, and the first letter over to the police and left them to do whatever they thought best.

ENTRAPPED.

The police at once quietly set about planning the capture of the blackmailers. They sent a message, authorizing a clerk from the prince, to the address given in the letter, directing the authors of the letter to appear at a specified place and time. Assurance was given that somebody would meet them at the appointed hour, prepared to hand over a package containing the money they demanded.

The Magees bit on the bait and went to the place which had been designated. There they were met at the time designated this morning, and were presented with a package of farthings. As they started to leave with their supposed treasure, the police threw off their disguise and arrested the pair.

The woman, when upon made a voluntary confession of the whole plot; at any rate the police say that her confession was voluntary, the woman, however, has since declared that she was forced by the police against her will, to confess something. It is thought that she fears the confession made by her in the first moments of consternation, after her arrest, may be held for her in the end, and that she is therefore trying to weaken its effect by asserting it was forced from her by the police.

CAB LETTERS.

A representative of the press called upon an enquiry of the Prince of Wales this afternoon, to learn any facts obtainable about the affair. The enquiry knew something of the contents of the letters. It was believed, represented that Magee was an emissary of a secret society, and had been ordered to kill the Prince of Wales; but the letters further intimated that Magee did not wish to slay the prince, and would not be able to do it, however unless he could get money enough to go to America. He wanted £700 therefor. If this amount reached him he would at once bid farewell to the land of the shamrock and to secret societies and conspiracies, and start across the Atlantic.

Nothing further can be learned to-night. It is believed the disclosures of an informer made the trouble where those names before the court for thorough investigation.

IRISH HOME RULE.

The Excitement Increasing—Loyalist Demonstration to Be Held in Ireland.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The *Times* London special says: Parnell has won. To-day's news removes the last doubt that Gladstone will concede home rule of a sweeping kind. As Gladstone's programme is outlined, it contains a proviso that Ireland shall continue to send members to Westminster, but it is likely that he will give way on this point, as the Irish do not wish imperial representation. There will be Dublin parliament, supreme over Irish affairs, over police taxation, courts and all internal matters. This much seems certain, but how it will be brought about is doubtful. There is no reason as of Gladstone's ability to carry the great bulk of the liberals in the measure. Even liberal papers are rap idly vaulting to the home rule side, but whether it will be done while the liberals are in opposition or after their return to power is not certain. Many conservatives believe, too, that Lord Salisbury has it in his power to dissolve parliament before the thing is done, and quite likely he will do it, going to the country on a strenuous anti-Home Rule platform. There is unrest in London to-night over the news. A dispatch from Dublin says the people are extensely enthusiastic.

THE EXCITEMENT CONTINUES.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The excitement throughout Great Britain on the subject of home rule for Ireland continues without unabatement. Newspapers of all shades of political opinions are urging Gladstone to speak definitely in regard to his plans. The late premier, in response to a telegram sent to-day asking him for information with reference to the Irish home rule scheme, which is reported he has had under consideration for some time, replied as follows:

"From my public declarations in Edinburgh, you will easily see that I have no further communication to make."

It will be remembered that in the speech referred to, delivered on November 17, he said in effect, in reply to Parnell's suggestion to give local self-government to Ireland, that when he learned directly certain material changes in what the wishes of Irishmen are he would give them attentive consideration, but that he could not gain this knowledge until the new parliament met.

Geo. J. Goshen, a prominent member of the whig branch of the liberal party, having been asked today for an opinion on the reported scheme of home rule for Ireland replied by telegraph that he maintained that home rule was a pernicious principle. Besides, he was not in favor of home rule, and could not comment on any scheme of that nature until such scheme had been fully declared.

The Marquis of Farrington, who was secretary of war in Gladstone's cabinet, declares that he has not approved the scheme, as had been intimated in certain quarters.

LOYALIST OPPOSITION.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—The *Daily Express*, a consistent upholder of the loyalists, devotes its leading article to-day to picturing the consequences which would result from home rule. It says that the demands of the Parnellites are granted and any such a scheme of home rule is attempted as Gladstone has been credited with contemplating. The Express declares that civil war would not be unlikely to follow. There would be such a clashing of class interests, such rivalry between friends of the old regime and the partisans of the new order of things that civil war, it could not be avoided and in case such extremities were prevented it is perfectly certain there would be an endless feud between the imp rial government and the Irish parliament.

LOYALIST DEMONSTRATION.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—The city o Armagh, in the province of Ulster, was to-day the point of an immense loyalist demonstration. The meeting adopted a formal address expressing a belief that resort to home rule principles would be certain, sooner or later to eventuate in civil war, and exhorting the loyalist army to go its utmost length in resisting the enforcement of home rule advocated. The resolution commended loyalists in Ireland to the sympathy of Protestants throughout the British kingdom. More than one of the speakers boasted with a degree of earnestness that arose to heated cheers from the listeners, that the loyalist party in Ireland was ready to meet whatever fate might be presented. "The Ulster true gentlemen are ready to come to the front," one of the speakers said, amid great applause; "and when their services are wanted 60,000 men can readily be put into the field for active service in defense of loyalty to the government."

THE EASTERN WAR.

MONTENEGRO MOBILIZING.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The government of Montenegro, in view of general military activity on the borders of that country, has taken the precaution to form and equip 45,000 men, who will be held in readiness for immediate action in the event of invasion of the country by a foreign army, or in case the government decides upon more aggressive movements.

Members of the international commission appointed to fix an area on the line between the Servian and Bulgarian armies have received instructions from their respective governments to endeavor to arrange an armistice between the contending states.

SERVIA REJECTS BULGARIA'S DEMANDS.

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—A semi-official bulletin issued at Nish yesterday says: "Prince Alexander has assented, Bulgaria demands that Servia shall evacuate the Widdin district, and King Milan considers this an unfair request. Servia seeks an armistice and peace on political conditions, if they are not obtained she will continue the war to the last extremity. She will, however, wait until the enemy takes the offensive

THE TRADE COMMISSION.

PESTH, Dec. 18.—The Austrian agent has notified Prince Alexander that the military commission to fix on an area on the line between Servia and Bulgaria cannot be represented on the commission.

GREAT SUFFERING AMONG TROOPS.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Typhus fever and smallpox are raging among Servian troops encamped at Nisch. The troops are also suffering intensely from snow re cold, and thirty soldiers on an average are frozen daily.

SERVIAN TROOPS WITHDRAWN.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A report has been received here that the Servian troops have been withdrawn from the Widdin district.

CANADA.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC'S TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.

MONTREAL, Dec. 18.—Canadian Pacific officials are busy making preparations for their telegraph system, completed early in the new year and to open their commercial department to the public before next spring. The company now has an unbroken line of telegraph from Montreal to the Pacific coast, a distance of 2805 miles. There are now being strung for commercial purposes in addition to wires operated for railway business, nearly 800 miles of wires between Montreal to Winnipeg, a distance of 1450 miles. From Winnipeg to British Columbia additional facilities for commercial business are also to be provided. At present all the leading cities in Canada are connected, and in a few weeks De roit and Buffalo will be tapped. When the line is completed to Halifax, N. S., it will have an intercolonial system, and connecting at the Atlantic with the principal cable of Great Britain, and then, as proposed, from British Columbia by a cable to the British possessions in the east. Soundings have already been taken by the company between Britain Columbia and Japan. The estimated cost of the Pacific cable is $3,300,000.

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THE MARKETS AND LETTERS.

WHEATCON, W. T., Dec. 15, 1885.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

To one familiar and accustomed only to eastern methods, the incorporation and transmutation by legislative enactment of a small hamlet into a full-fledged "city," with a complete and elaborate system of city government at a breath, as is commonly a typical feature found in the extreme western country, seems peculiar. Many innovations, however, seemingly ind genous to the newer portions of the border and western states and the Pacific coast, and which would only meet with ridicule in the older and eastern states, have here, by their becoming a part of every-day life, ceased to command attention. And when a territorial legislature, in the throes of its sessional labor, brings forth a monstrosity in the shape of an act of incorporation creating a city from the elements of a chaotic collection of ha f-dozen balloon frames in the process of construction up on hillings, and an equal number of the same in the process of decay and dissolution, with an unlimited number of acres of forest land thrown in, such an event creates no comment other than that produced by such other legislation as in its ordinary workings may be evolved therefrom.

Such acts of incorporation, sometimes and often, give and carry with them the power to the majority to impose unlimited taxation (limited in many cases to the amount such property taxed will bring under the auctioneer's hammer) upon all real property adjacent with n the limits of the district incorporated. *Vide.* Several acts of incorporation passed by the legislature of the territory of Washington in the session of 1883, authorizing and giving to the same such powers as given under the form and provision for grading and improving streets, etc.—many charters granting the majority of a city council authority and power to order the grading and improvement of streets, etc., without limit as to cost, and to assess the cost of the same upon all real estate adjacent thereto; and an expense of improvement becomes a perpetual lien upon said real estate until the same be paid. Such authority and power is generally vested by such acts of incorporation in a city council elected by the voters of the city resident, 30 percent of which reside often, and as a matter of fact, generally are without property interest in such city, totally irresponsible and but little interested in the city's growth and management, but in the matter of the division of the spoils. A city council so elected and having such power to levy a tax will naturally display a great interest in the direction of street improvement. A taking clause is often inserted in such acts of incorporation, providing that if indebtedness of such corporation shall never exceed a certain specified sum. But authority is given in the interior grading and improving streets, etc., to assess the est mated cost of such improvement and collect the same before the work is begun.

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FRIDAY, Dec. —.

Overland receipts include 130 cs 50 lbs syrup, 50 bbls linseed oil, 32 bls brown sugar, 2 cs candy, 8 cs lard, 8 cs spice, 8 cs sauce, 3 sks seed, 2 cs cigars, 40 pkgs tobacco.

PRODUCE RECEIPTS—Past twenty-four hours: 9811 ctls wheat, 2564 bbls flour, 3402 ctls oats, 360 ctls barley, 200 ctls millstuff, 128 sks potatoes, 244 lbs wool, 2713 lbs hides, 67 bbls, 2 bxs fruit, 2 cs eggs, 6 cs butter. Also 15,491 ctls wheat, 620 bbls flour 500 ctls millstuff, 560 lbs hides from the eastern section.

WHEAT—Market dull and easy, advices showing no improvement. Quotations nominally as last given.

OATS—Free receipts last evening, and mostly for local account. The shipping market is not so steady, and our exporters offer 37½c as an extreme. In a small way some advance is had.

EGGS—Selling at 30c. Stocks are fair, but receipts appear to be again lessening.

POULTRY—Chickens fairly steady at $3@3 50 for best. Other poultry slow.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Government sats, quiet and strong. Stocks have suddenly risen into an extreme dullness. The market, however, was exciting during nearly the whole day, and closed at about the best figures of the day, and from small fractions to 1 per cent. higher than last evening. Northern Pacific preferred shows a speculative rise of 1½. The statement is made officially that rumors respecting negotiations between the company and a syndicate to take several millions of acres have for their basis nothing more than a letter of inquiry received from gentlemen little known to the company, asking if it would sell a large block of land and take in payment preferred stock. The company replied that when they proposed to sell unpatented real estate until the same be paid. Such authority and power is generally vested by such acts of incorporation in a city council elected by the voters of the city resident, 30 percent of which reside often, and as a matter of fact, generally are without property interest in such city, totally irresponsible and but little interested in the city's growth and management, but in the matter of the division of the spoils. A city council so elected and having such power to levy a tax will naturally display a great interest in the direction of street improvement. A taking clause is often inserted in such acts of incorporation, providing that if indebtedness of such corporation shall never exceed a certain specified sum. But authority is given in the interior grading and improving streets, etc., to assess the est mated cost of such improvement and collect the same before the work is begun.

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